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In re Application of : Paul A. Flaherty
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003, please reconsider the above identified application in light of the following:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.


Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this

paper.
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Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.
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Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 16 and include three (3) attached replacements sheets.

Please replace the paragraphs of the specification on page 7, lines 27-29 through page 8, lines 1-16 with the following paragraphs:

The mobile communication system 200 includes a server 216 with wireless communication capabilities, one or more wireless communication devices ~~212~~ 210, and a wireless communication network 218 that facilitates communication between a wireless communication device ~~212~~ 210 and the server 216. The wireless communication network 218 supports wireless data transport protocols such as Wireless Application Protocol (WAP) and Short Message Service Centers (SMS).

 The Server 216 is connected to an application host computer 220 that stores and hosts applications that can be accessed by the wireless communication devices ~~212~~ 210. The application host computer 220 supplies system support and maintenance services.

Information content that is made available by the application host computer 220 is communicated using SMS or WAP. Information is communicated via the wireless communication network 218 to the wireless communication device ~~212~~ 210 and displayed on the wireless communication network 218 so that the user can read information from the screen and store information directly in the receiving wireless communication device ~~212~~ 210.

Server 216 receives information content from any source and translates the information into an appropriate format and layout for transfer to the two-way communication device ~~212~~ 210. The server 216 enables compatibility with legacy communication devices as well as new devices by supporting multiple types of information content sources, formats, device form factors, and transport protocols including WAP, HTML, and SMS.
